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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6584 NOTE PREPARED: Dec 12, 2006

BILL NUMBER: SB 168 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Local Regulation of Fireworks.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Tallian BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill provides that a county or municipality may limit the use or hours of use of fireworks by ordinance, and provides for the enforcement of the ordinance. The bill also makes a conforming amendment.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Counties or municipalities that limit or prohibit the use of fireworks by ordinance could experience a decrease in expenditures for public safety and emergency medical services. The proposal could also reduce expenditures associated with local inspections and re-inspections of vendors and displays. The bill requires the county or municipality to enforce the ordinance. It is unknown if requiring enforcement will increase expenditures or not. The specific impact on local expenditures is indeterminable and would vary by location.

The Indiana State Department of Health tracked fireworks injuries during 2003 and 2004. During that time, 454 injuries were reported statewide.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Fire Marshal's Office.

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Local Agencies Affected: Counties and municipalities.

Information Sources: State Department of Health.

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